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Unconstitutional to Minnesota Schools. St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 11.—The state superintendent of public instruction recently received an inquiry as to whether or not the law prohibited the opening of the public schools with a recital of the Lord's Prayer and asking the advice of the superintendent when one person in the district objected to the service. In an opinion rendered yesterday Attorney General Childs, to whom the matter was referred, holds that the service is in violation of section 15 of the state constitution.

A Blow at Roby.

Indianapolis, Dec. 11.—The final knockout of the Roby track people was given by the supreme court yesterday, when the Lake county court injunction, obtained on behalf of Governor Matthews, was sustained. The opinion contained only 199 words. The court held that the ruling in the previous injunction case applied to the suit of Edward Roby and others against Governor Matthews. This is the second time the court has held that the Roby act, regulating horse racing in Indiana, is sound. Nothing is now left for the Roby people but to give continuous racing next year but to build three tracks and carry on the meetings under three different associations.

After New York Property.

Anderson, Ind., Dec. 11.—Lawyer Edwards of this city left last night for New York to institute a claim for an estate in that city valued at \$30,000,000. The property belonged to the House family, which was well known in New York many years ago. It is alleged that other persons preempted the land and later sold it without good title. It is now in the center of New York city.

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THE KAISER DENOUNCED.

A Socialist Leader Attacks Him Violently In A Speech—He Is In The Socialists' Government's Prosecution of Socialists Criticized. Berlin, Dec. 11.—There was an exciting scene in the Reichstag today upon the occasion of the delivery of a speech by Herr Bebel, one of the socialist leaders, in regard to the recent prosecution of socialists and the closing of the socialist unions by the government.

In the course of his speech Herr Bebel made a violent attack upon the emperor because of the speeches delivered by his majesty upon Sedan day and more recently at Breslau, referring to the Kaiser as "a certain somebody."

President von Bismarck called Herr Bebel to order, but the latter persisted in continuing his remarks in the same strain. A great uproar ensued, in the midst of which Herr Singer's voice was heard above the din, crying "We are insulted."

When quiet was finally restored the president threatened to stop Herr Bebel entirely unless he confined his remarks within the limits of decency and parliamentary rule, whereupon Bebel retorted:

"How is it possible to omit mention of the Kaiser from discussion of the question of abolition of the less majestic law?"

Herr Bebel then proceeded in a passionate speech to criticize the government's recent prosecution of socialists.

He declared that the present conditions prevailing in civilized states precluded the possibility of a revolutionary party obtaining a victory forcibly, and argued that, therefore, agitation by means of speeches and the dissemination of literature was justifiable.

General Bismarck von Schellendorf, imperial minister of war, interrupting, declared, amid tremendous uproar on the part of the socialists, who attempted to drown his voice, that during the Sedan fete the socialists were very dirty ill-famers.

Their infamy, was unable to soil the memory of the great Kaiser; but, nevertheless, the army would never forget the depravity of the socialists upon that occasion.

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Mrs. G. W. Babb, the well known proprietor of the New Haven Employment office, situated at No. 126 Court street, continues to win words of praise and commendation for the efficient and entirely satisfactory manner in which she conducts her large and steadily increasing business. About seven years ago she embarked in her present line of business and determined from the start to do justly and conscientiously to all who applied to her. Her aim was not to build up a large business, but rather a select one. Gradually it became known that her establishment was a reliable one and in consequence her patrons increased in number from day to day.

She will be governed in the future as in the past by the same aims and purposes that have made her qualifications known not only in this city, but throughout the state and have caused her services to be sought after by hundreds of our best families in this city and neighboring towns.

Ten Years For Murder.

Elizabeth, Dec. 11.—Frank Freehill, alias John Sloan, who shot and killed Special Policeman Alfred Jewell of Rahway last March, while the latter was trying to arrest him as one of a gang of tramps, was sentenced this morning by Judge McCormick in the Union County court to ten years in prison and to pay a fine of \$1,000.

Want Cleveland Back.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—President Cleveland's early return to Washington is looked for. It is stated that dispatches have been sent to him by members of his cabinet urging that a special cabinet meeting be called for Monday next to consider, among other important matters, Lord Salisbury's reply on the Venezuelan matter and Secretary Carlisle's report. The secretary of the treasury is unwilling to submit his report to congress until it has been carefully read and approved by the president and his cabinet.

Hence the request for special meeting on Monday, and the telegraphed suggestions which will probably bring the president back to Washington by that time.

Specimen or Commitment.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 11.—E. S. Brock, well known as a speculator on the board of trade, committed suicide in a hotel yesterday. He is said to have lost heavily lately. Brock was a single man, about thirty-five years of age.

Another Jersey Mystery.

Belvidere, N. J., Dec. 11.—The body of an elderly woman was discovered ten days ago by hunters in some bushes on the hills surrounding Phillipsburg. The coroner supposed the body to have been that of a vagrant woman who died from exposure, and the body was buried in Potter's field without the usual post-mortem examination. It was discovered yesterday that Miss Susan Rose of Belvidere, aged seventy-five years, who left her home about three weeks ago to visit relatives in Harmony, had not arrived there. The body of the supposed woman tramp was disinterred this morning and was recognized as that of Miss Rose. Her brother-in-law, who is a prosperous merchant, says that Miss Rose had considerable money when she left home, none of which was found upon her person.

A Fort Rescued.

Madrid, Dec. 11.—A dispatch to the Imparcial from Havana says that the insurgents derided a freight train at Júcar yesterday, blocking the track so that the passenger train from Santa Clara for Havana was unable to get through.

The insurgents with several batteries of artillery have besieged the fort at Remangamangus. It is reported that another filibustering expedition has landed at Cape Mayel. Maximo Gomez, the rebel leader, has arrived at Pinar.

LECTURE BY PROF. WINCHESTER

Sketch of a Distinguished Wesleyan Man—President Harper's Offer.

It will be remembered that the first lecture under the auspices of the New Haven Chautauqua union was delivered a few weeks ago by Dr. E. W. Scripture of Yale university on the subject, "Experimental Psychology."

The second lecture of the Chautauqua union will be given December 12 in the First Methodist church by C. T. Winchester, professor of English literature at Wesleyan university, Middletown, Conn.; subject of lecture, "Ludlow Castle."

There has been an intimation that Professor Winchester may succeed to the fillings professorship at Yale, and as the following account of his career will be interesting to many:

Professor Winchester was born in Connecticut, but spent most of his early life in Massachusetts, where his father, a retired Methodist minister, had a farm.

He prepared for college at the Middlebury (Mass.) academy and at Willsford, entering Wesleyan in the class of 1870.

After graduation he was librarian at Wesleyan for ten years or more, and taught some during that time. It is said that from 1869 to 1880 every book added to the library was catalogued and shelved by him.

In 1873 he became professor of English literature and rhetoric, and also taught logic until 1880.

He was one of the first teachers of English in New England to introduce the reading of literature itself in its best specimens rather than by text book recitations.

In 1880-81 he went abroad, spent one semester in the University of Leipzig, traveled in Germany, Switzerland, Italy, and especially in England.

In the last country he visited almost all the places of literary interest, and one can learn from his lectures that he made good use of his powers of observation.

The summers of 1887 and 1888 he also spent in Europe. He is the author of "Short Courses of Reading," and editor of "Selections from Addison" for the Chautauqua Garnet Seal course. He is also a well known contributor to papers and magazines.

He is regarded as one of the most valuable men on the faculty at Wesleyan, and it is an open secret that President Harper of Chicago university tempted him with the golden bait to take the chair of English literature at the university there, but that the invitation was declined. His courses are very popular at Wesleyan, as is shown by the large numbers of students who elect them. It is a favorite maxim there that no man should graduate without taking his courses in the introduction to English literature, and literary criticism.

He seems to broaden the students' conception of literature and to stimulate their interest as few professors succeed in doing.

For the past dozen years he has lectured extensively. He has delivered several courses of lectures at Johns Hopkins university, and has also lectured at Brown, Amherst, Northwestern, Wellesley, Smith, and at many other places. He is an annual lecturer at Wells college, Aurora, N. Y. Moreover, as a speaker before purely popular audiences, he is widely known. The lecture to be given on Friday evening is one of his best, although the high standard of excellence of all of Professor Winchester's lectures makes comparison difficult.

The choice use of words and flow of language, the arrangement of thought, and the vividness and picturesqueness of expression, combine to impress the "Ludlow Castle" firmly upon one's mind.

RECEPTION IN WEST HAVEN.

A Very Pleasant Social Event—The Bride a Former New Haven Lady.

The handsome and attractive residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Stevens No. 4 Thompson street, West Haven, was filled with friends and acquaintances who had gathered there to welcome the bride and groom and express best wishes for their continued happiness and prosperity. The young couple had recently returned from their wedding trip and moved into their new home. Both bride and groom are very popular, and have many friends. Mrs. Stevens was formerly Miss Annie Griswold Judson, and is the daughter of Warren T. Judson, the well known dealer in real estate. The evening was spent most enjoyably and music, vocal and instrumental, added to the pleasure of the occasion. A fine collation was served, to which all did ample justice.

Killed By a Trolley Car.

Santusky, O., Dec. 11.—While crossing the street with her mother, the five-year-old daughter of E. M. Hughes, county clerk, was killed by a trolley car last night.

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The proper way to treat pneumonia is to prevent its development.

Have a care that you are sufficiently clad to meet inclement and changeable weather. See that the wet feet and exposure to draughts do not result in cold. If a cold is contracted check it at once before pneumonia is developed; for it is a well known fact that a protracted cough may suddenly develop into pneumonia, with a slight additional cold. Don't let the disease make any headway. Fortify the system against it by rich, nutritious, liquid food. This can be accomplished in no other way so well as by the liberal use of Osmolition, an ozonized preparation of Cod Liver Oil with Guaiac, prepared by T. A. Stearns Co., New York, and sold by all Druggists. Taken early, when the first symptoms of the cold appear, it cures it promptly and prevents the development of pneumonia. It is a rich, liquid food, and it is a well known fact that strong food is the most formidable foe of pneumonia. It keeps the blood well nourished and puts the tissues in such a condition that they throw off the cold and its complications.

New Yorkers Can Skate Soon.

New York, Dec. 11.—The work on the skating house at the pond at Seventy-second street and Eighth avenue, Central park, is being pushed along by Superintendent Parsons of the park department.

The ice is several inches thick, and it is thought that if the present cold weather continues the ice will, in all probability, go up on Saturday.

The storm which yesterday was moving in the direction of New York from the south and was due today, changed its course and is now making things lively on the New England coast and far out on the ocean. The storm is attended by high winds, rain and snow.

The velocity of the wind is between forty and fifty miles an hour, and possibly greater on the ocean.

Increasing storminess will experience some difficulty. At Block Island this morning the wind averaged forty-eight miles an hour and in this city thirty-nine miles.

There is another storm advancing eastward which was central over northern Indiana and Illinois this morning. It is accompanied by rain and snow and high winds over the lakes.

The wind with the storm has a velocity of thirty miles an hour and increases as the storm advances. It is due in this section of the country to-morrow. After the storm passes warmer weather will prevail. At 8 o'clock this morning the temperature in this city was twenty-five degrees.

New Comets Discovered.

Boston, Dec. 11.—The Harvard observatory has received dispatches from the Lick observatory in California stating that C. P. Parson, on November 17, discovered a comet in the constellation of Virgo. Dispatches from the Smith observatory, Geneva, N. Y., announces the discovery by W. R. Brooks on November 23, of another comet in the constellation Hydra. Its direction is northward.

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